

## **AMENDMENTS**

### **In the Claims**

The following is a marked-up version of the claims with the language that is underlined (“\_\_\_”) being added and the language that contains strikethrough (“—”) being deleted:

1. (Currently Amended) A wild animal control apparatus, comprising:
  - an attractant ~~configured~~ adapted to entice a target wild animal to consume the wild animal control apparatus;
  - a trigger covered by a portion of the attractant, the trigger ~~configured~~ adapted to dissolve in an environment having a predetermined pH; and
  - a subduing agent coupled to the trigger, the subduing agent ~~configured~~ adapted to subdue the wild animal that consumes the wild animal control apparatus once fluids in the digestive system of the wild animal having the predetermined pH cause the trigger to dissolve, wherein the subduing agent is activated and the wild animal is subdued.
2. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein activation of subduing agent results in an explosion within the digestive system of the wild animal sufficient to lead to the death of the wild animal.
3. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 2, further comprising:
  - a nonreactive layer covering the subduing agent to prevent the subduing agent from activating prior the dissolving of the trigger.

4. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the subduing agent is a metal that releases energy in the digestive system of the target wild animal when placed in contact with fluids in the digestive system.
5. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is sodium.
6. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is potassium.
7. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 4, wherein the metal is lithium.
8. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 3, wherein the subduing agent is a chemical substance that releases energy in the digestive system of the target wild animal resulting from a chemical reaction with fluids in the digestive system.
9. – 21. (Canceled)
22. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a battery.
23. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a spring.
24. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a bullet.

25. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the subduing agent includes a blank cartridge.

26. (Withdrawn) The apparatus of claim 2, wherein the explosion is caused by ignition of gunpowder.

27. (New) A wild animal control apparatus, comprising:

meat, utilized to attract a wild animal;

an energy release device, surrounded by the meat, the energy release device utilized such that when the wild animal consumes the meat, the wild animal also consumes the energy release device; and

a trigger device that contains the energy release device, the trigger device utilized such that when the wild animal consumes the meat and energy release device, stomach acids of the wild animal that are in the range of 0.5 – 2.5 pH chemically react with the trigger device to dissolve the trigger device, wherein upon dissolving the trigger device, the energy release device releases energy within the wild animal to subdue the wild animal.

28. (New) The wild animal control apparatus of claim 27, wherein the energy release device subdues the wild animal without poisoning the wild animal.